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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENTS OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In the Notice of Allowance dated December 3, 2009, the Examiner provides a Statement of Reasons for Allowance (hereinafter "Statement"), identifying specific features that the prior art of record fails to teach.

Applicants respectfully note that in addition to the reasons kindly provided by the Examiner in the Statement, each allowed claim is patentable based on its own unique combination of limitations, which is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by the prior art.

No fees are believed due with this submission. However, should any other fees be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to deposit account number 03-0172.

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Respectfully submitted,

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